

Here follows a listing of some of the significant issues responded to by Station KBIA, Columbia, Missouri along with the most significant programming treatment of those issues for the period October, 2022 through December, 2022. The listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority or significance.

1. “Fewer options for rural communities that lose their hospital.”

Local In-Depth Health Coverage

November 30, 2022

Aired at 4:44pm

3:59

When the Audrain Community Hospital closed, it left uncertainty and difficult choices in its wake. Patients have also put off important appointments like cancer screenings, preferring to wait until the hospital reopens. There’s no sign of that happening soon, but other providers have moved in.

2. “Missouri on Mic: Barbie Skinner”

Local Reporting

October 18, 2022

Aired during Morning Edition and All Things Considered

3:59

Ferguson, Missouri made national headlines in 2014 for the shooting of Michael Brown and subsequent protests. But Ferguson has a long, complicated history with race. According to the ACLU, the Ferguson-Florissant School District was originally created by a federal order in the face of resistance to school desegregation in St. Louis City in the 1970s -- roughly two decades after the landmark *Brown v. Board of Education*. Many Black Americans moved from St. Louis City to the then predominantly white suburb in search of better living conditions. Many white occupants then fled farther West in yet another example of what’s been termed “White Flight.” Barbie Skinner grew up in the Ferguson-Florissant area decades ago, and gave us a glimpse of the city’s history of racism in this episode of Missouri On Mic.

3. “Missouri on Mic: DC Smith”

Local Reporting

October 11, 2022

Aired during Morning Edition and All Things Considered

3:59

DC Smith is a retired resident living in Columbia. He’s held several jobs in his lifetime, one of them being in radio. He’s originally from the east coast but say something about Missouri keeps drawing him back. Smith talks about what he finds so alluring about Missouri in this episode of Missouri On Mic.

4. “Despite attacks on LGBTQIA+ rights, one local group is hosting family-friendly events to show Missourians they’re not alone.”

Local News Coverage

December 22, 2022

Aired at 4:44pm

3:59

Drag shows hold a cultural meaning within queer history and liberation. And, in addition to providing a place for the queer community to find each other, drag shows offer a space for exploration outside of the gender binary

5. “From the Heartland to the Hudson, access to housing is a struggle and solutions aren’t simple.”

Local News coverage

December 20, 2022

Aired during All Things Considered

11:59

This year, KBIA and the Missouri School of Journalism have been involved with a reporting project called the News Ambassadors. Two KBIA reporters worked with a pair of reporters from Columbia University in New York City for the last few months. The idea was to look at two seemingly different communities: Moberly, MO, and Flatbush, a neighborhood in Brooklyn, in New York City. The project involved community outreach, including **listening session events** in both communities in October. We wanted to find an issue to cover that is important to both communities, that we might not be covering well enough now, and see what we could learn by covering that issue in both communities at the same time. Here’s what we found.